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SUBJECT: REPLY TO CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT
CARTER FROM PRESIDENT SOMOZA

1. PRESIDENT DESIRES SEND FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO HEADS OF
GOVERNMENT OF AMERICAN REPUBLICS REPRESENTED AT
SEPTEMBER 7, 1977, PANAMA TREATY SIGNING CEREMONY, AND
TO OTHER CANAL USER COUNTRIES WHICH SENT MESSAGES OF
CONGRATULATION AT THAT TIME AND AFTER SENATE APPROVAL.
UNLESS YOU PERCEIVE OBJECTION, PLEASE DELIVER AT EARLIEST
APPROPRIATE OPPORTUNITY.

2. QUOTE: DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

WITH APPROVAL BY THE UNITED STATES SENATE OF THE TWO
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PANAMA CANAL TREATIES OF 1977, AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE
TREATIES BY THE GOVERNMENT OF PANAMA, THE TWO GOVERNMENTS
CAN NOW INITIATE A NEW COOPERATIVE RELATIONSHIP IN
OPERATING AND PROTECTING THE CANAL AS THE TREATIES
PROVIDE.

I DEEPLY APPRECIATE YOUR CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE OF

APRIL 20 AS WELL AS YOUR GOVERNMENT'S SUPPORT AS WE
HAVE MOVED TOWARD THIS HAPPY RESULT. YOUR SUPPORT
HAS CONTRIBUTED MATERIALLY TO THE SOLUTION OF A
DIFFICULT INTERNATIONAL PROBLEM, TO IMPROVED WESTERN
HEMISPHERE RELATIONS, TO THE FACILITATION OF WORLD
COMMERCE, AND THUS TO WORLD PEACE.

SINCERELY,

JIMMY CARTER

END QUOTE. VANCE

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